IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (*Currently Amended*) A composition for dyeing, printing, or coating comprising:

an aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive; a cationic water-soluble polymer; and

<u>a</u> functional substance selected from the group consisting of a dye, pigment, drug, deodorant, or perfume,

said composition being obtained by mixing said aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive with said cationic water-soluble polymer and then mixing a resultant mixture with said functional substance,

wherein said aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive comprises 45 to 50% by weight of an aqueous medium and 50 to 55% by weight of a resin, the resin having a mean particle diameter of 0.2 to 0.5 µm, wherein the resin includes as a polymeric monomer component vinyl acetate and at least one acrylic monomer selected from the group consisting of methyl acrylate, ethyl acrylate, butyl acrylate, 2-ethylhexyl acrylate, hexyl acrylate, heptyl acrylate, octyl acrylate, octadecile acrylate, methyl methacrylate, glycidyl metacrylate, hexyl methacrylate, heptyl methacrylate, octyl methacrylate, octadecile methacrylate, and ethyl hydroxymethacrylate,

and <u>further wherein</u> said resultant mixture comprises 10 to 50% by weight of said aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive and 50 to 90% by weight of the cationic water-soluble polymer.

- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Cancelled)

- 4. (*Previously Presented*) A composition according to claim 1, wherein a particle charge of said aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive is anionic.
- 5. (*Previously Presented*) A composition according to claim 1, wherein said functional substance is anionic in an aqueous medium.
- 6. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein said cationic water-soluble polymer comprises a monoallylamine derivative represented by formula 1 or a polymer of a salt thereof, or a copolymer of A) a monoallylamine derivative or a polymer of a salt thereof and B) a monomer having an unsaturated double bond copolymerizable with A), said formula 1 being as follows:

$$CH_2 = CH - CH_2 - NHR$$

(wherein R represents a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group having 1 to 18 carbon atoms, a substituted alkyl group, an aralkyl group, or a cycloalkyl group).

7. (Currently Amended) A coating composition obtained by mixing an aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive with a cationic water-soluble polymer, wherein said aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive comprises 45 to 50% by weight of an aqueous medium and 50 to 55% by weight of a resin, and has a viscosity of 6,000 to 10,000 mPa×s/30°C and a mean particle diameter of 0.2 to 0.5 µm, wherein the resin includes repeat units of vinyl

acetate and an acrylic monomer selected from the group consisting of methyl acrylate, ethyl acrylate, butyl acrylate, 2-ethylhexyl acrylate, hexyl acrylate, heptyl acrylate, octyl acrylate, octadecile acrylate, methyl methacrylate, glycidyl metacrylate, hexyl methacrylate, heptyl methacrylate, octyl methacrylate, octadecile methacrylate, and ethyl hydroxymethacrylate as polymeric monomer components, and wherein said composition comprises 10 to 50% by weight of said aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive and 50 to 90% by weight of the cationic water-soluble polymer.

- 8. (Cancelled)
- 9. (Cancelled)
- 10. (*Original*) A coating composition according to claim 7, wherein a particle charge of said aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive is anionic.
- 11. (*Previously Presented*) A coating composition according to claim 7, wherein said cationic water-soluble polymer comprises a monoallylamine derivative represented by formula 1 or a polymer of a salt thereof, or a copolymer of A) a monoallylamine derivative or a polymer of a salt thereof and B) a monomer having an unsaturated double bond copolymerizable with A), said formula 1 being as follows:

$$CH_2 = CH - CH_2 - NHR$$

(wherein R represents a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group having 1 to 18 carbon atoms, a substituted alkyl group, an aralkyl group, or a cycloalkyl group).

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12. (*Previously Presented*) The composition according to claim 1, wherein said aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive comprises an emulsifying agent, said emulsifying agent being an anionic surfactant.

13. (*Previously Presented*) The composition according to claim 7, wherein said aqueous-emulsion-type acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive comprises an emulsifying agent, said emulsifying agent being an anionic surfactant.

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